FISCAL NOTE

HB 1314 - SB 1611

March 12, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Limits the amount of pain and suffering damages in a personal injury action against a nursing home to \$350,000. The verdict in such a case would be itemized by the court to show the amount awarded for pain and suffering. If the case is tried before a jury, then the limitations established in this bill could not be instructed to the jury. If a verdict results in an award for pain and suffering greater than \$350,000, then the judge would enter a judgment only for \$350,000 for all the party's pain and suffering claims.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Estimate assumes no impact on state or local governments.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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